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ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS
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Sir:

Applicant hereby states that applicant is a small entity and that status as a small entity is asserted for this application.

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